REMARKS

Claims 1-11, 14, 16-27, 37-57 are now pending in the application. Claims 1-11, 14, and 16-27 are allowed. Claims 37, 38, and 53 are cancelled herein. Claims 39-52 and 54-57 are objected to as dependent on a rejected base claim, but allowable of rewritten in independent form. Of claims 39-52 and 54-56, claims 41 and 52 are each amended to independent form as suggested by the Examiner. Of the remaining claims, 39-40 and 42-51 are amended to render them dependent from claim 41, while claims 54-56 are amended to render them dependent from claim 52, which also results in claim 57 having claim 52 as a base claim. Therefore, no new matter is added by amendment of claims 39-52 and 54-56, and claims 39-52 and 54-57 should now be in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

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CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly

traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests

that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is

believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office

Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt

and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the

Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this

application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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